

HANCOCK

ESTIMATES ALLOWED ON MUNICIPAL IMPROVEMENT

Common Council Receives Recommendations From Board of Public Works.

TO CURTAIL ENGINEERS' FORCE

The first meeting of the common council of the city of Hancock in three weeks was held last evening and although the session lasted less than two hours, a large amount of business was disposed of, including the reading of monthly reports of various officials, receiving recommendations from the board of public works relative to amounts due to several contractors on municipal improvement jobs, and discussions and action relative to the reduction of the engineer's force during the winter months, besides a number of other minor matters.

Communications Received.
A communication from Charles Matthews and Attorney S. L. Lawton relative to damages resulting to property in west Hancock that it was claimed had resulted from failure of the city to provide sewers, asked reimbursement to the amount of \$304.25 for loss of rental for four months and expense of putting in a private sewer system. It was claimed that the building could not be rented for lack of sewers. No action was taken, beyond the referring of the matter to the finance committee and city attorney.

A petition was received from Rev. J. K. Nikander, L. Herro and other residents of Franklin street calling attention to the necessity of installing an electric light at the corner of Franklin and Finn streets, which it was claimed is badly needed owing to the incomplete state of the grading and sidewalks on that thoroughfare. The communication was referred to the street lighting committee.

Estimates Recommended.
The board of public works submitted to the council several estimates made by the city engineer relative to work done by various contractors, and they were accepted and the various amounts ordered paid.

The estimate of amount due J. J. Ryers & Co. for laying water mains on west Hancock hillside streets, less the twenty per cent withheld according to terms of the contract, was \$538. The engineer asked that the full amount due be allowed, as the work so far as done is complete in itself and can be made use of in its present state.

To hold up the twenty per cent, he said, would be unjust as it would compel the contractor to have a large sum tied up for several months, which he had already earned, the work having been satisfactorily accomplished and payment of labor involved has to be paid.

The estimate of the amount due James McGlynn on front street retaining walls was \$445.54.

It was moved by Alderman Holland and carried that the Ryers matter be referred to the attorney to see if the full amount can legally be paid to the contractor without affecting the latter's bond and it was also suggested that the McGlynn estimate be similarly treated.

Mr. Craig said that the two cases were different, inasmuch as the two front street walls, if the others should not be completed, were of doubtful value to the city. In the Ryers case the actual terms of the contract could be abrogated without incurring injury to the contractor.

The statement of the amount due Beeman & Larson for construction of cement sidewalks on Minnesota street, Franklin and Sumner streets, was \$892.78. This was accepted and the amount ordered paid.

Payment for Paving Job.
The matter of the estimate of balance due the Central Bitulthite Paving company of Manistee for the paving of Hancock street elicited considerable discussion relative to the time when the money might be expected to be paid over by the two local banks that have agreed to take the paving bonds. The amount of the contract, in full, was \$27,053.50, of which there has

previously been allowed several estimates as the work progressed, leaving a balance of \$11,645.42. The paving company has not as yet, however, received any money at all, the money for the bonds not yet having been paid by the banks.

The delay in the matter was explained by Mayor James who stated that Attorney Finnegan of the Superior National bank, had not yet reported upon the legality of the proceedings relative to the bond issue, but that as soon as he reports, if favorable, the printing of the bonds can proceed and be exchanged at once for the cash. On motion of Dr. Scallon the clerk was authorized to have bonds printed immediately on the report of Attorney Finnegan being made; and that the mayor and clerk be empowered to deliver the bonds to the banks in exchange for the money.

The American LaFrance Engine company requested an early settlement for the new chemical engine recently received, in accordance with the terms of the contract, and on motion the clerk was instructed to draw an order for the amount due.

Reports Submitted.
City Treasurer Hendrickson's monthly report showed a balance on hand December 1, of \$50,680.75; receipts for November, \$3,826.71; disbursements, \$12,315.28. Of the receipts \$2,562.09 was for water rents, which amount has since been increased to about \$4,000.

Justice Funkey's report showed receipts for the month amounting to \$57, and that of Justice Oliver, \$75. Reports were also received from Chief of Police Tibor and the night watchmen showing the number of arrests made by each, numbering twenty-five altogether for the month. The reports were referred to the proper committee.

Chief J. N. Mitchell of the fire department reported that he had tested the hose recently purchased and found it satisfactory. It measured 99 feet, 8 inches, which was five feet, four inches less than ordered but as it was paid for at so much a foot, this did not matter.

The list of bills audited by the finance committee and ordered paid totaled \$4,575.45. The annual allowance of \$50 for mayor and alderman was passed and the members of the council will receive their stipend in time for Christmas. The supervisors' bills of \$175 each in addition to their regular compensation of \$2 per day, were allowed.

New Fire Hall Needed.

Mayor James stated that the fire last week in west Hancock showed the necessity for the erection of the proposed fire hall in that section, as owing to the distance, the flames had made great headway before the fire apparatus arrived on the scene, and then the horses were completely winded. Alderman Scallon said he did not believe in driving the horses so fast, as it was all done for effect anyway. He thought it too late to start erecting a fire hall now, owing to the lateness of the season, and thought that it would be better to wait until spring when the city might be able to expend more than the proposed \$2,700 on it. Alderman Hosking speaking for a taxpayer of west Hancock said that the city could have the use, rent free, of a shed in which to keep a hose wagon, or the use of a lot on which to erect a temporary structure. Mayor James said that the Hancock Mining Co. has a barn not in use on Ingot street that might be used. Another proposition advanced was that a team and hose wagon might be kept at Saxby's stable, but to this objection was made that this would oblige the teams to have a run uphill while the other propositions would give a downhill run. No action was taken. A motion was made that the fire hall committee be authorized to dispose of the black horse of the team of which one of the animals recently died. It was stated that an offer of \$275 had been received for the horse.

The Engineer's Force.

Alderman Hosking brought up the question of reducing the engineer's force by laying off some of the inspectors and doing away with one of the three men at the new pumping station on the hill. Mr. Craig said that he could be depended upon to reduce his force when in his judgment the interests of the city required it. Now that the wells have been connected he thought that possibly two men would be enough at the pump house on the hill. Alderman Scallon said that he favored economy but did not approve of crippling the engineer's department. There are a large number of new houses in the west end of the city that are without sanitary sewage, and conditions are pretty bad in some cases. They have the convenience but lack water. They should have water this winter. The engineer was instructed some time ago to prepare a scheme of sewage for all unserved portions of the city, and he did not approve of hampering the engineer in completing this work during the winter so that construction can be started early in the spring, instead of being left until winter. A motion was finally adopted instructing the laying off of all inspectors that can be dispensed with and reducing the number of men at the new pumping station to two.

Report on New Pump.

Engineer F. N. Bosson of Calumet to whom was referred the matter of passing upon the question of the type of pump to be purchased for the new system in connection with the wells sunk on the city property in west Hancock, recommended the purchase of a triplex plunger pump, with a capacity of 350 gallons per minute, from 2-inch pipe wells connected with a six-inch suction main, approximately 300 feet long with a suction lift of 25 feet, discharging into a reservoir through approximately 6,500 feet of ten-inch pipe, the combined pressure and friction head equal to 250 feet—pump to be operated by a two-phase 2880 volt 60-cycle electric motor.

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COMPANY PICKED TO PLAY THE OPERA OF "PATIENCE"

High School Students Selected to Take Part in Presentation of Opera.

FIRST REHEARSAL YESTERDAY

Rehearsals have finally been started for the presentation of the comic opera "Patience," to be given by the high school students early next spring, the players having been picked at a general meeting held last evening in the high school assembly room. The opera will be produced under the direction of Prof. Lamont A. Colom, musical director of the Hancock and Ripley public schools, who has had the matter under consideration since early in the fall, and the cast will comprise the best talent to be found among the pupils assisted by some of the teachers of both the Hancock and Houghton schools. The opera is one of the best and most amusing of the Gilbert and Sullivan productions and comprises a number of very tuneful and pretty vocal numbers and choruses. Several persons are being tried out for the principal roles of which there are about twelve, besides which there are big choruses of dragons and love-sick maidens, bringing the total cast to about sixty.

Those who will be assigned the principal roles are: Misses Vera Scott, E. Coughlin, Cecil Light, E. Schnauffer, Florence Hall, Belle Hamilton, Lily McNeil, Elsie Cameron, Anita Coughlin, Marjorie McLain, Florence Stockley, Genevieve Finch, and Dorothy Gregory, and Messrs. Yokum of Houghton, A. W. Graustadt of the Boston school, Prof. Chaffin, and N. D. Starrett.

The dragon chorus comprises Misses Lanetot, Carrigan, Andrews, Laura MacDonald, Mabel Dock, Emma Brock, Ruby McLellan, Lily Gilman, Ruth Funkey, Dorothy Mayworm, Virginia Courtney, Martha Merke, Elsa Dittler, Ruth Wyckoff, Margaret O'Leary and Patricia Eddy.

Those in the chorus of "Love-sick Maidens" are as follows: Misses Louise Kellow, Agnes Larsen, Lucille Mayworm, Ruth Metc, Emma Nelson, Margaret Scott, Margaret Rowell, Elsie Cameron, Ruth Emory, Edna Polto, Maria Lord, Stella Hogan, Lily McNeil and Elsie Coughlin.

Mr. Colom is also pushing the rehearsals for the presentation of "Red Robin," a musical play to be given by the pupils of the Ripley school. The latter entertainment will be given at the Ripley school house, afternoon and evening, on Thursday, Dec. 23, just before the close of school. The cast for this play was recently published in The News.

COLORED K. P.'S ELECT.

A. R. Richey is Chosen Chancellor Commander of Local Lodge.

At a recent meeting of Copper Country lodge No. 4 Knights of Pythias (colored) the following officers were elected:

Chancellor commander, A. R. Richey. Vice chancellor, H. H. Webster. Prelate, L. G. Armstrong. Master of work, C. R. Johnson. Keeper of records and seals, C. A. Burton.

Master of finance, J. A. Gardner. Master of exchequer, Wm. J. Black. Master at arms, J. N. Lorette. Inside guard, E. J. White. Outside guard, Pat Huggins. Trustee for eighteen months, C. A. Burton; for twelve months, William J. Black, and for six months, J. A. Gardner.

RESERVES TO RECEIVE PAY.

Order Received Announcing Remuneration for Attending Drills.

A number of special orders from the adjutant general's department were read at the regular weekly drill of the Hancock division of the Naval reserves, the most important being in relation to the allowing of pay to the men of the division for attending

MITCHELL TEAM WINS.

The Mitchell "C" team defeated the third team of the Dee alleys in a match game at the local alleys last evening, taking three straight games by the following scores:

Houghton 713 643 116
Hancock 732 703 746
The Houghton team was composed of Wimmer, Pryor, Slusser, Mikesch, and Boske, and the Hancock bowlers were Rodda, Wiseman, Levine, Sullivan and Borst.

There was also a two man game between Anderson and Treloar the score of which was a total of 1041, made as follows:

Anderson 154 154 186
Treloar 190 199 158

A regular meeting of the executive committee of the indoor baseball league was held last evening at Germania hall and various routine matters were discussed. A proposition was advanced to reduce the league to four teams by dropping two but it was not acted upon. The matter of holding a game in Houghton was discussed, but it was thought that it would cost too much to engage the Amphidrome for games.

sunk on the city property in west Hancock, recommended the purchase of a triplex plunger pump, with a capacity of 350 gallons per minute, from 2-inch pipe wells connected with a six-inch suction main, approximately 300 feet long with a suction lift of 25 feet, discharging into a reservoir through approximately 6,500 feet of ten-inch pipe, the combined pressure and friction head equal to 250 feet—pump to be operated by a two-phase 2880 volt 60-cycle electric motor.

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drills. This was to have become effective a year or so ago, but owing to the depleted state of the Michigan treasury there was no money available for the purpose. From now on the men will be paid a certain amount, twenty cents a drill for seamen and proportionately higher remuneration for officers according to rank.

This allowance will be greatly appreciated by the sailor boys and will have the effect of bringing out a larger number to attend the weekly drills. The attendance last night was quite large and much interest was shown in the work.

Naval reserve matters are rather quiet at the present time and much activity is not expected until after the holidays, when more enlistments are looked for. A number of those who joined at the time of the organization of the division three years ago and whose terms have expired received their honorable discharge papers from Lansing this week. It is probable that quite a number will re-enlist and take another cruise on the Yantic next summer.

The work on the repairs is now under way at Sturgeon Bay, and when the training ship comes back next summer she will be in shape for any work required of her, even to going to Nicaragua if need be, to chastise the obnoxious and defiant Zelaya.

SERVICES FOR DECEMBER.

Program of Congregational Meetings During Current Month.

Rev. J. S. Gould, pastor of the Hancock Congregational church, has announced his program of services and subjects of sermons for the month of December. The theme for the morning worship throughout the month will be "The Church's Life Reflected in Her Great Hymns." Two of the evening services will be occupied with a Christmas theme, and the fourth with the Christmas exercises. The mid-week meetings will continue as in the past to give consideration to the Bible school lessons, and the Bible school finishes the year's study on the life of Paul.

The subjects for the month will be as follows, the first named having been given on Sunday last:

December 5, "The Church's One Foundation Stone." Subject: "The Church's Own." Anthem: "The Sun Shall be No More Thy Light." Evening, "The Diligent Man." Text, Proverbs 22:29 "Seest Thou a Man Diligent in his business." Anthem, "Take Me, O My Father, Take Me." Berwald.

December 12, Morning, Hymn, "The Son of God Goes Forth to War." Hebrew Anthem, "Jubilee Day." Hohn. Male quartet, "Memories of Galilee." Palmers. Evening subject, "The Pure Life for Man and Woman." Prov. 30:20, "Remember, the path of wisdom doth not lie by the strange woman's house." Anthem, "Hear Thou Our Prayer," Morrison.

December 19, Morning, the Christmas sermon, Hymn, "Hark, Hark My Soul." Faber. Subject, "The Spirit of the New Life." Anthem, "O Worship the King." by Mander, and "Brightest and Best," by Buck. Evening: A Christmas sermon, "The Prince of Peace and the Philosophy of the Feast." Anthem, male quartet, "Vesper Hour," Morrison.

H. G. Waterbury of Marquette, general manager of the Houghton County Gas company, is here on a business visit.

The Copper Country Methodist Ministers' association met yesterday morning at the Hancock Methodist Episcopal church. There were the usual papers and discussions and a feature of the meeting was the presence of Rev. C. M. Thompson of Alpena, formerly presiding elder of the Marquette district, which at that time comprised the churches now constituting the Houghton district. The visiting pastors and their wives took dinner at the Scott hotel.

Thomas H. Cannon, high chief ranger of the Catholic Order of Foresters, and M. H. Kern, grand trustee, who came here to attend the meeting of the St. Bernards court held Sunday, were taken to points of interest in the county yesterday by the committee appointed to entertain them during their visit, and left in the afternoon for their respective homes. Mr. Cannon going to Chicago and Mr. Kern to Menominee.

The report of the treasurer for the year shows that the society owed on Dec. 1, \$274.73, and there fell due Dec. 3, additional, \$184.50, making the total due by the end of the year, \$769.23.

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There is owed the society for pew rentals and subscriptions, \$256, leaving to be raised the sum of \$513.23.

FUNERAL THIS AFTERNOON.

Burial of Joseph Brady, Who Was Killed in Sunday's Accident.

The funeral of the late Joseph N. Brady of Houghton, the member of Hancock lodge of Elks who was killed in the street car collision at Osceola Sunday, takes place this afternoon, and the Hancock lodge will attend in a body. Services will take place at St. Ignatius church and interment will be at Forest Hill cemetery.

Others who were injured in the accident are all doing nicely and it is now believed that the injuries of none will prove so serious as was at first thought. Mr. Curzon's hip was not fractured, but was badly wrenched, and one of his ribs was displaced but not broken, and he will be able to get out again in a short time. Alex Stevenson is still confined to his bed, but hopes to get out again soon. Mr. Harris is also recovering rapidly from the effects of his injuries, though still unable to be out.

SHRINERS TO MARQUETTE.

Hancock Members Who Will Attend Ceremonial Session Tomorrow.

H. Z. Brock, C. D. Hanchette, Geo. H. Nichols and Dr. W. W. Kimmel of this city will go to Marquette tomorrow to attend the winter ceremonial session of the Noble Order of the Shrine, held at the Shrine Temple, Dec. Kimmel will be among the novitiates who will be escorted across the burning sands, and they will "do unto him" even better than was done unto them," to quote from the pamphlet sent out to members announcing the session. This circular is handsomely gotten up and contains, besides matters of interest to the nobles themselves, some exceedingly clever bits of poetry and anecdotes. C. D. Hanchette of Hancock is illustrious potentate of the Shrine Temple and C. B. Ulrich, also of Hancock is a member of the musical committee.

HANCOCK BREVITIES.

Agent Mayette, formerly of Mohawk, has assumed his duties as agent at the Hancock station of the Mineral Range, succeeding W. L. McMaster. Mr. McMaster and wife expect to leave shortly for a trip through the south.

The members of Miss Cameron's class, No. 14 at the Hancock Methodist Episcopal Sunday school will serve a "Dutch supper," on Friday evening at the church parlors.

Harold, the infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Saul Seegal, was the subject of an interesting Jewish ceremony yesterday afternoon at the parent's home on Reservation street, Rabbi Gusse officiating. There was a large attendance of Jewish people present from Hancock and Houghton.

Mike Kratt has left for Phoenix, Arizona, where he expects to spend several months for the benefit of his health.

The regular monthly meeting of the board of education will be held this evening at which time arrangements for the opening of the new school may be considered also the matter of inspecting the children's teeth, recently referred to a committee of the Dental association for reference to the school board.

Judge G. C. Bentley has returned from a two weeks' visit with relatives at Fargo, N. D.

John Stack, catcher of the Hibernians indoor baseball team is laid up with an attack of rheumatism and will be unable to take part in tonight's game against the Knights of Columbus.

The Light Infantry and Eagles and the A. O. H. and K. of C. teams will play indoor baseball games this evening at Germania hall in the league series.

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TORCH LAKE NEWS

CHRISTIAN ENDEAVORERS PLAN TO REPEAT DRAMA

By special request, the members of the Y. P. S. C. E. of the Hubbell Congregational church will repeat on Friday evening the drama given last Thursday evening. This arrangement will give those who could not attend the presentation last week an opportunity to witness this clever amateur production.

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FIREMEN WILL MEET.

The regular meeting of the members of the Hubbell Volunteer Fire department will be held tomorrow evening in the town hall. The members of the department are urged to attend the meeting as it is an important one. One of the firemen stated this morning, that there probably would be some action taken regarding the appointment of a chief for the unexpired term of the late M. J. Harrington. The meeting will be held at the usual hour.

TORCH LAKE BREVITIES.

The eight-months-old son of Mr. and Mrs. George Dion of Houghton was brought to Lake Linden yesterday afternoon for burial.

Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Becker and children leave Hubbell today for Columbus, Georgia, where they will make their future home. Jesse played the past season with the baseball team of the southern city, and returns today to assume charge of a store there. He stated before his departure that he enjoys better health in the south and likes his home in every way. Jesse has a large number of staunch friends in the copper country who regret to see him leave here.

The ladies of the Women's Christian Temperance Union will hold their regular meeting tomorrow afternoon at three o'clock in the parlors of the Methodist church. At this meeting officers for the coming year will be elected.

Some of the local young people visited at Osceola Sunday afternoon where a social time was held. Those from here were the Misses Drima and Neola St. George, Agnes Omeley and Mary Smith. They were the guests of the Misses Della Roy and Sophie Belanger.

"Her Fatal Wedding," will be presented here this evening by the Frank E. Long company. Large crowds have turned out each evening since the show came to town.

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